



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Gazda et al.

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ABSTRACTION LAYER

**Group:** 2194

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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2006. A petition for extension of time is filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the Application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: